WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1. An optoelectronic transceiver comprising:
 - a data transmit line coupled to an optical source;
- 5 a data receive line coupled to an optical detector;
 - a serial communication bus distinct from the data transmit line and data receive line;

a microprocessor coupled to the serial communication bus, the microprocessor corresponding to a serial address;

an optical driver coupled to the optical source, the microprocessor providing a control signal for adjusting a swing amplitude of the optical driver in accordance with one or more commands received by the microprocessor via the serial communication bus.

- The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 1, wherein the optical source is supplied
 with a bias current, the microprocessor providing a control signal for adjusting the bias current of the optical source in accordance with the one or more commands received by the microprocessor via the serial communication bus.
- 3. The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 2, wherein the optical detector has an electrical bandwidth, the microprocessor providing a control signal for adjusting the electrical bandwidth of the optical detector in accordance with one or more commands received by the microprocessor via the serial communication bus.
- 4. The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 3, wherein the optical detector has an electrical bandwidth, and further comprising:
 - a plurality of filtering components, the microprocessor providing control signals to the filtering components for coupling to the optical source or the optical detector in accordance with one or more commands received by the microprocessor via the serial communication bus.

- 5. The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 2, wherein the optical detector has an electrical bandwidth, and further comprising:
- a plurality of filter components, the microprocessor providing control signals to the filter components for coupling to the optical detector in accordance with one or more commands received by the microprocessor via the serial communication bus.

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- 6. The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 1, wherein the optical detector has an electrical bandwidth, the microprocessor providing a control signal for adjusting the electrical bandwidth of the optical detector in accordance with one or more commands received by the microprocessor via the serial communication bus.
- 7. The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 6, wherein the optical detector has an electrical bandwidth, and further comprising:

a plurality of filter components, the microprocessor providing control signals to the filter components for coupling to the optical source or the optical detector in accordance with one or more commands received by the microprocessor via the serial communication bus.

- 8. The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 1, wherein the optical detector has an electrical bandwidth, and further comprising:
- a plurality of filter components, the microprocessor providing control signals to the filter components for coupling to the optical source or the optical detector in accordance with one or more commands received by the microprocessor via the serial communication bus.
- 20 9. The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 1, wherein the serial communication bus is a two-wire bus.
 - 10. The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 1, wherein the control signal is an output voltage from the microprocessor.
 - 11. The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 1, wherein the control signal is a voltage from a resistor network wherein the resistor network receives an output voltage from the microprocessor.
- 30 12. The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 11, wherein the resistor network includes a transistor.
 - 13. The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 1, wherein the optical source is a laser diode.

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- 14. The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 1, wherein the optical driver is an integrated circuit.
- 15. An optoelectronic transceiver comprising:
- 5 a data transmit line coupled to an optical source;
 - a data receive line coupled to an optical detector;
 - a serial communication bus distinct from the data transmit line and data receive line;
- a microprocessor coupled to the serial communication bus, the microprocessor 10 corresponding to a serial address;

the optical source supplied with a bias current, the microprocessor providing a control signal for adjusting the bias current of the optical source in accordance with one or more commands received by the microprocessor via the serial communication bus.

- 15 16. The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 15, wherein the optical detector has an electrical bandwidth, the microprocessor providing a control signal for adjusting the electrical bandwidth of the optical detector in accordance with one or more commands received by the microprocessor via the serial communication bus.
- 20 17. The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 16, wherein the optical detector has an electrical bandwidth, and further comprising:

a plurality of filter components, the microprocessor providing control signals to the filter components for coupling to the optical source or the optical detector in accordance with one or more commands received by the microprocessor via the serial communication bus.

- 18. The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 15, wherein the optical detector has an electrical bandwidth, and further comprising:
- a plurality of filter components, the microprocessor providing control signals to the 30 filter components for coupling to the optical source or the optical detector in accordance with one or more commands received by the microprocessor via the serial communication bus.
- 19. The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 15, wherein the serial communication bus is 35 a two-wire bus.

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- 20. The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 15, wherein the control signal is an output voltage from the microprocessor.
- The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 15, wherein the control signal is a voltage
 from a resistor network wherein the resistor network receives an output voltage from the microprocessor.
 - 22. The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 21, wherein the resistor network includes a transistor.
- 23. The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 15, wherein the optical source is a laser diode.
- 24. The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 15, wherein the optical driver is an 15 integrated circuit.
 - 25. An optoelectronic transceiver comprising:a data transmit line coupled to an optical source;a data receive line coupled to an optical detector;
- a serial communication bus distinct from the data transmit line and data receive line;

a microprocessor coupled to the serial communication bus, the microprocessor corresponding to a serial address;

the optical detector has an electrical bandwidth, the microprocessor providing a
control signal for adjusting the electrical bandwidth of the optical detector in accordance
with one or more commands received by the microprocessor via the serial communication
bus.

26. The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 25, wherein the optical detector has an electrical bandwidth, and further comprising:

a plurality of filter components, the microprocessor providing control signals to the filter components for coupling to the optical source or the optical detector in accordance with one or more commands received by the microprocessor via the serial communication bus.

- 27. The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 25, wherein the serial communication bus is a two-wire bus.
- 28. The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 25, wherein the control signal is an output voltage from the microprocessor.
 - 29. The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 25, wherein the control signal is a voltage from a resistor network wherein the resistor network receives an output voltage from the microprocessor.

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- 30. The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 29, wherein the resistor network includes a transistor.
- 31. The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 25, wherein the optical detector is a pin diode or Avalanche Photo Diode (APD).
 - 32. The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 25, wherein the bias current is supplied by a transistor.
- 20 33. The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 32, wherein the transistor receives the control signal.
 - 34. An optoelectronic transceiver comprising:
 - a data transmit line coupled to an optical source;
- a data receive line coupled to an optical detector;
 - a serial communication bus distinct from the data transmit line and data receive line;
 - a microprocessor coupled to the serial communication bus, the microprocessor corresponding to a serial address;
- 30 the optical detector has an electrical bandwidth, and
 - a plurality of filter components, the microprocessor providing control signals to the filter components for coupling to the optical source or the optical detector in accordance with one or more commands received by the microprocessor via the serial communication bus.

- 35. The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 34, wherein the serial communication bus is a two-wire bus.
- 36. The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 34, wherein the control signal is an output voltage from the microprocessor.
 - 37. The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 34, wherein the control signal is a voltage from a resistor network wherein the resistor network receives an output voltage from the microprocessor.

38. The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 37, wherein the resistor network includes a transistor.

- 39. The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 34, wherein the plurality of filter components includes resistive and capacitive devices.
 - 40. The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 34, wherein the plurality of filter components includes transistors.
- 20 41. The optoelectronic transceiver of claim 40, wherein the transistors are field effect transistors.

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